

BIG STONE GAP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Will Open Monday, September 4th With Full Corps of Teachers

Schools here will open September 4th and we would like to have all pupils report promptly the first day in order that they may get their classification and book lists. Heretofore, considerable time has been lost at the beginning of school because pupils could not or did not secure their books promptly. We expect to have an ample supply of books this year which may be purchased at the school house at prices fixed by the state.

Following is a list of the teachers who have been employed for this session:

High School
Mr. V. F. Garrett, Jr., Williamsburg, Va.

Miss Saluda Sewell, Jonesville, Va.
Mr. George Orr, Dryden, Va.
Miss Blanche Kennedy, Cleveland, Va.

Miss Willie A. Fulton, Johnson City, Tenn.
Mr. James C. Powell, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

Grammar Grades
Miss Emma Duncan, Jonesville, Va.
Miss Nancy Taylor, Shant, Scott county, Va.

Miss Mayme Ewen, Richmond, Ky.
Miss Elizabeth Chaffin, Scottsburg, Va.

Primary Grades
Miss Mary Slomp, Olinger, Va.
Miss Mary Martha Davenport (Public School Music) Graham, Va.

Miss Olga Horton, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Miss Edna McFadden, Buena Vista, Va.

Miss Beulah Shelton, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Mrs. P. T. Fugate, Big Stone Gap, Va.

Miss Gladys Bond, Coeburn, Va.
Miss Beverly H. Taylor, White Gate, Va.

Miss Ruth Jamison, Boone Mill, Va.
In addition to those mentioned above, we will probably secure one more teacher for the grammar grades. The teachers employed have been selected with a great deal of care. All have had professional

training, and practically all have had two years or more of successful experience as teachers. We feel that they are fully capable of handling the work to which they will be assigned and the patrons will find them entirely worthy of their cooperation and support.

During the vacation months the School Board has taken every step not only to complete the new building but also to put the old building in the very best state of repair. New concrete floors have been laid in the basement, the walls calcimined, and the building thoroughly cleaned and made sanitary in every respect. The ladies of the Community League have undertaken to furnish shades for the new high school building. These shades have been shipped, and will probably be here by the time they are needed. The faculty has been increased, additional rooms have been provided, and so we shall be able to avoid the crowded condition which we experienced last year. In fact, every effort has been made to provide for a larger and better school.

H. L. SULFRIDGE,
Principal.

Within and Without

During the war Tyler Page, clerk of the National House, wrote a Creed of Americanism, and got a \$1,000 prize for it. We are printing this creed here now, that it may be read again by those who are fighting each other in an industrial warfare, while America suffers.

"I believe in the United States as a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, whose just rights are derived from the consent of the governed. A democracy is a republic, a sovereign nation of many sovereign States, a perfect union, one and inseparable, established upon the principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

"Therefore, I believe it is my duty to love it, to support its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies."—Collier's Weekly.

Don't envy the man you consider lucky. He is probably only using his brains to better advantage than you are.

We all know a few things, but think we know more.

PARSON TURNS ORCHARDIST, PROVIDES FOR HIS FUTURE

From the start in my ministerial life work, I dreaded the idea of becoming dependent during the last years of my life.

I saw farmers who made a small sum each year over and above current expenses, lay aside what they could spare, and finish up their active years, with sufficient savings to assure their comfort during the remainder of their life, to meet their obligations and to provide for the loved ones left behind.

In planning for the future, I practiced careful spending and economy, so that I might invest my savings in a way that would grow into something worth while later on.

After about ten years of saving, I had about \$2,500.00 in cash. I made up my mind that this would go into fruit land and the planting. I determined to buy good fruit land in a fruit growing section, where crops were reasonably sure and of good quality.

Gets Best Trees

I decided that all fruit trees that were to be set must be high quality and good variety. Therefore, the best nursery stock was secured, and the soil thoroughly prepared for setting.

I purchased a one-third interest in a small orchard, five or six years old. The first crop was gathered in 1913, amounting to the grand total of seventeen barrels.

Thorough cultivation was carried on according to most scientific methods. I was always careful to see that the necessary spraying was done at the right time, and we managed to control all sorts of disease, thoroughly. Clean cultivation was generally practiced, though now and then a cover crop was sown, such as cow peas, rye and other leguminous plants. These crops were all turned under when ready.

As planting was continued, and the trees came into bearing, it became apparent that large crops would soon be on, and that the packing and marketing would be a big

problem. A fruit dealer was sought, who had felt the need of high class fruit in his trade. He was shown the orchards, when loaded with fruit and a one-third interest was sold to him.

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Our company now has 275 acres of fine trees in the famous apple belt of West Virginia and Virginia, most of which is in bearing or will soon come in. We had a mind from the beginning to specialize in fancy fruit such as Stark Delicious, Grimes Golden, Stayman Winesaps, Golden Delicious, and other splendid varieties.

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Some of our land was bought for \$20.00 per acre, and will likely yield in 1922 two or three hundred dollars per acre. Apple growing is a slow business at first, but those who have the patience to work and wait, will come into their own after a while.

We recently purchased a tract of land on which is said to be the first commercial orchard planted in that section of Virginia, possibly fifty years ago. Most of trees are still in excellent health condition, and work is now being carried on to redeem this old orchard. Thorough pruning has been done, and this will be followed by proper spraying, cultivation and fertilizing. We are expecting a great deal of pleasure in watching results from our work on these trees.

It pays to grow fancy fruit.—G. W. Hanks in American Fruit Grower.

LIVING WITH BEAR TAUGHT MAN IT WAS POSSIBLE TO LIVE WITH WOMAN

Original Husband Tried Living With Wild Animals Before Taking Wife

"Primitive man lived first by himself in competition with wild animals and was not recognized as a sociable being. But when he found he could live with a bear he found it possible to live with woman, and so society had its beginning," declared the Rev. H. H. Scott, pastor of the First Methodist church in an address before Salem, Ohio, Rotarians.

Dr. Scott cited the persecution of the disciples of Christ, saying, "The word 'Christian' was an outcast name used first in derision as was later the word 'Protestant'. In the thirteenth century Roger Bacon was sentenced to serve ten years in jail because of the advanced thought which led him to prophesy that not only would mariners guide their ships with a magnetic needle but that they could move without oars, that carriages could move without being drawn by animals and that flying machines could be operated successfully.

"When Adam Thompson introduced the first bath tub in America at Cincinnati in 1842 it cost him his reputation. The physicians rose against him and in Boston a law was passed requiring a person to obtain a doctor's prescription before he could use a bath tub.

"Today fewer houses are fenced off. We are getting together. If the world nourishes and cherishes its children they will repay us doubly by being the leaders of tomorrow. To pay the penalty of progress we must willingly contribute our business sense as well as give our money and time to serve devotedly the things that are best."

A magazine writer says the dog fills an empty space in a man's life. This is specially true of the hot dog.—Locomotive Engineers.

Two jags were returning home after an all night spree. "Don't your wife miss you on these occasions?" "Not often; she throws pretty straight."—Stone Cutter Journal.

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BIG STONE GAP, VIRGINIA



MARY ALDEN in
"THE OLD NEST"
: RUPERT HUGHES. A GOLDWYN
picture, directed by REGINALD BARKER

When "The Old Nest" comes to the Amazin Theatre, on Wednesday and Thursday, the people of Big Stone Gap will have a chance to see a picture that has been hailed by critics and reviewers as the most satisfying all-American picture that has yet been produced. The theme, that of a mother who sees her six children leave her, one by one, is common to American families. All the poignancy of feeling that these leave-takings arouse in real life have been caught on the screen.

Rupert Hughes is the author of this unusual tale of mother love. He has sought to present a cross-section of a universal theme as applied to an American family. All the joys and sorrows connected with raising a family have been dramatized. Each of the children grow to manhood or womanhood with his own individual interests, then leaves the old nest to follow the call of his desires. Only their mother is left in her loneliness and her memories. But, as in every American family, the young remember the old nest and return to it.

The picture was produced by Goldwyn and was directed by Reginald Barker. Mary Alden plays the old mother, and her performance has been said to be a masterpiece of of screen acting.—adv.

I love to watch the rooster crow. He's like so many men I know. Who brag and bluster, rant and shout And beat their manly chests without The first darn thing to brag about.—S. C. Phytian Bulletin.

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